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1. [REDACTED] The transcript of the Director's testimony before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee on the situation in Viet Nam (reviewed by Mr. Colby and Mr. Houston) was returned to the Committee.

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2. [REDACTED] Spoke with James W. Knowles, the Executive Director of the Joint Economic Committee, regarding the Committee's request for Agency assistance in preparing statistical data updating previous Committee publications on the Soviet economy. I advised Mr. Knowles that we would be happy to assist the Committee on the same basis as in the past, that is, without attribution to the Agency. I indicated I had talked with our people on this and arranged for Mr.

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[REDACTED] to work directly with Leon Herman of the Library of Congress in preparing this material. I pointed out that it was quite possible that this material would not be ready until sometime in December. Mr. Knowles thanked us for our assistance and indicated that a formal reply to their letter would not be necessary.

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3. [REDACTED] Talked with Miss Hendrickson, in the office of Senator Robert C. Byrd, concerning a constituent inquiry on Walter Scott's "Personality Parade" column concerning [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I advised Miss Hendrickson that the Agency did not comment on press articles speculating on CIA activities. She said she understood this but asked if we would give her a letter to this effect. I said we would be happy to do so.

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